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AMENDMENT AFTER THIRD OFFICE ACTION

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 Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please consider the following in response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on December 26, 2007. This response is being filed within the three-month period for response (to and including March 26, 2008), so no fees are believed to be due. However, the Commissioner is requested to provide any extension of time that may be necessary and to deduct any associated fees from Deposit Account 13-0014.

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